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Title : Improvements in or Relating to Switching Devices

**REPLY**

**Mail Stop Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in response to the Office Action dated August 22, 2005.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 8 of this paper and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

**Remarks** begin on page 9 of this paper.